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Dear Mr. Bowen:

The Pleading which you filed on behalf of Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. and Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc. has been duly received and assigned Docket No. 2005-37-C. **Please check the enclosed Notice of Filing for accuracy.**

In order to proceed with the processing of this Docket, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

Publish, at your own expense, on or before **March 5, 2005**, the enclosed Notice, in newspapers of general circulation, in the affected areas, one time and provide the undersigned Proof of Publication on or before **March 18, 2005**.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates indicated may result in the **DISMISSAL** of your pleading.

In the meantime, should you require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely yours,

Docketing Department

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2005-37-C

Hargray Telephone Company, Inc. and Bluffton Telephone Company, Inc. filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for an Alternative Regulation Plan which was filed in accordance with Section 58-9-576 of the South Carolina Code of Laws. The date of the filing was February 2, 2005. The effective date of the Plan will be upon determination by the Commission that at least two wireless providers have coverage generally available in Hargray Telephone Company's and Bluffton Telephone Company's service areas and that the providers are not affiliates of the local exchange carriers.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 and is available from M. John Bowen, Jr., Esquire, McNair Law Firm, P.A., Post Office Box 11390, Columbia, SC 29211.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **March 18, 2005** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-37-C.*

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below and M. John Bowen, Jr., Esquire, at the above address, on or before **March 18, 2005** and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-37-C.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **March 18, 2005**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2005-37-C.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5113.

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